

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting
P.O. Box 1167
Syracuse, KS 67878
Meeting Place - Commissioner Room
Hamilton County Courthouse
January 19, 2016
8:30 a.m.

Keith A. Puckett, Chairman
Michael W. Lewis, Vice-Chairman
Randall C. Braddock, Commissioner
Nikki Schwerdfeger, Commissioner
John R. Simon, Commissioner
Rob Gale, Attorney
Angie Moser, County Clerk

Commissioner Puckett called the Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

AGENDA: Commissioner Lewis moved to adopt the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the January 12, 2016 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: Commissioner Schwerdfeger discussed concerns regarding open meetings violations. Commissioner Schwerdfeger also voiced concerns regarding posting of the next Planning Commission Meeting and whether it would be in the local newspaper. Attorney Gale advised if anyone had concerns regarding the Planning Commission Meeting, they should contact Interim Zoning Administrator, Linda Dinkel.

FAIR BOARD: Rae Vernon, Juliana Houtsma, and Griselda Sigala, Fair Board Members, and Babette Lewis, Fair Board Employee, presented a quote from Davis Electric, Inc. for electrical upgrades for the Fairground Facilities and Buildings, and a quote from Wheatland Electric to place a new transformer pole between 4-H and Fair Buildings. This would bring all of the electrical up to electrical code. Also, a 5' trench would need to be dug from the new pole to the existing pole. They also presented pictures to show the water damage caused from water getting in between the sidewalk and the main 4-H building. The Commissioners asked the Fair Board to advertise for bids for the electrical work and report back.

SARAH SCHWERDFEGER: Ms. Schwerdfeger, Community Development Director, presented a Neighborhood Revitalization Program Application submitted by Kerstin Mitchell. After review, Commissioner Braddock moved to accept the Neighborhood Revitalization Program Application submitted by Kerstin Mitchell. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

5-YEAR PLAN: The 5-year plan was reviewed.

ROAD PROJECT LIST: The Road Project List was reviewed.

ADDITIONS & ABATEMENTS: Commissioner Simon moved to approve Additions & Abatements No. 150131 and 150136. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

POOL BOARD APPOINTMENT: The Pool Board informed the County Clerk that they did not receive any additional letters of interest to serve on the Pool Board. Commissioner Braddock moved to appoint Sarah Schwerdfeger to the Hamilton County Pool Board for an unexpired term ending December 31, 2016. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

S.W. KS REGIONAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COUNCIL APPOINTMENT: Commissioner Braddock moved to appoint Steve Phillips as the County's representative to the Southwest Kansas Regional Emergency Planning Council for the 2016-2017 terms. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

SYAA BOARD APPOINTMENT: The SYAA Board submitted a letter to the County Clerk stating that they recommend Brian Bloyd be appointed to fill one of the vacant board positions. Commissioner Lewis moved to appoint Brian Bloyd to the SYAA Board for a four year term ending December 31, 2019. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

WARRANTS: After review and discussion, Commissioner Schwerdfeger moved to approve the Warrants in the amount of \$109,143.61. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Simon moved for a 15-minute executive session for matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with the Commissioners, and the County Attorney present. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. The executive session began at 9:30 a.m. and the regular meeting resumed at 9:45 a.m.

As there was no more business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Lewis moved for adjournment. Commissioner Braddock seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Commissioner

Commissioner

Commissioner

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Commissioner